

## NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b) IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

OPTICAL PICKUP ASTIGMATISM MEASURING METHOD, OPTICAL

PICKUP ASTIGMATISM ADJUSTING METHOD, AND OPTICAL PICKUP

ASTIGMATISM MEASURING SYSTEM

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- 26 pages of Specification/Claims 1-5/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1-14B; 13 sheets are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to Pioneer Corporation is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 1 reference(s).
- $\boxtimes$ Priority of foreign application No. 2003-039652 filed February 18, 2003 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- $\boxtimes$ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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INDEP CLAIMS	3 - 3	=	0	
☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				

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RATE	FEE	<u>OR</u>
	\$ 375	<u>OR</u>
x 9 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
x 43 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
+145 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
TOTAL	\$	<u>OR</u>

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+290	\$
TOTAL	\$ 770

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